

REMARKS

I. Status of the Application

Prior to the above amendments, claims 12-19, 23 and 25-34 were pending in this application. In the November 29, 2005 office action, the Examiner:

- A. Allowed claims 23 and 25-34;
- B. Rejected claims 12-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) or § 103(a); and
- C. Rejected claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

In response to the November 29, 2005 office action, Applicant has:

- A. Cancelled claims 12-19; and
- B. Added new dependent claim 35.

II. The Examiner's Rejection of Claims 12-19 Should Be Withdrawn

In the November 29, 2005 office action, the Examiner rejected claims 12-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), § 103(a), and/or § 112, second paragraph. In this response, Applicant has cancelled claims 12-19. Accordingly, the Examiner's rejections of claims 12-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), § 103(a), and/or § 112 are moot and should be withdrawn.

III. New Claim 35 is Allowable

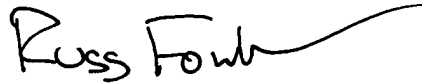
In this response, Applicant has added new claim 35. It is respectfully submitted that support for new claim 35 is found in the specification, page 8, lines 32-38, page 9, lines 1-33, and in FIG. 2 of the drawings. New claim 35 depends from and incorporates all the

limitations of allowable claim 23. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that dependent claim 35 is allowable for at least the same reasons as independent claim 23.

IV. Conclusion

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted the applicants have made a patentable contribution to the art. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is, therefore, respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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